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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF
ABANDONMENT -- RESPONSE NOT RECEIVED**

Applicants hereby petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment as set forth in the notice mailed by the Patent Office on December 8, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned patent application.

Submitted herewith is a copy of the complete response (Request for Continued Examination, Petition for a Two-Month Extension, Amendment B, credit card payment form and postcard) filed on June 30, 2003. The enclosed Express Mail receipt and date-stamped postcard verify the June 30, 2003, date of deposit. Please proceed with further examination of this application on the basis of the original papers filed.

Enclosed please find a credit card payment form in the sum of \$130.00 to cover the petition fee pursuant 37 CFR 1.17(h). Please charge Account No. 19-3140 for any fee deficiency or credit this account for any overpayment for this petition.

As no defect exists in applicant's previous submission, a refund of the petition fee submitted herewith is respectfully requested.

Acknowledgment of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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